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The Commission Secretary Office of the Secretary **Federal Communications Commission** 445 12th St. SW Washington, DC 20554

Aloha FCC Commissioners,

Subject: Response to FCC orders on Sandwich Isles Communications, WC Docket no. 10-90

More than 20 years ago the Hawaii State Department of Hawaiian Home Lands sought a privatepublic partnership in which a private company would build the telecommunications network for its residents at no cost to the Department or its residents in remote rural areas. Sandwich Isles Communications (SIC) built the telecommunications infrastructure so that the unserved and the underserved residents of Hawaiian Home Lands could have access to state-of-the art telecommunications services. We support SIC as it has made possible native Hawaiians being able to take advantage of educational and job opportunities and to improve their health, safety and economic well-being.

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